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PATENT APPLICATION

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re the Patent Application of

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For: ELECTRON EMISSION DEVICE, COLD  
CATHODE FIELD EMISSION DEVICE )  
AND METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION )  
THEREOF, AND COLD CATHODE )  
FIELD EMISSION DISPLAY AND )  
METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION )  
THEREOF )

Group Art Unit: 2879

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

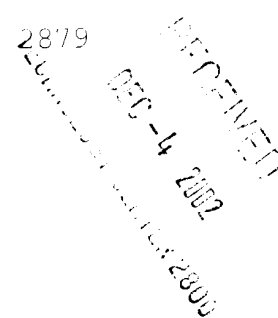
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Sir:

The Applicant, through its representatives and attorneys, hereby brings to the attention the eight (8) documents noted on the accompanying Form PTO-1449. Copies are provided.

This will certify that each item of information in this information disclosure statement was contained in a communication from a foreign patent office in connection with a corresponding foreign application not more than three months prior to this submission. Specifically, these documents were noted in a European Search Report (ESR) dated November 7, 2002. This submission is also timely in that it is made prior to a first action on the merits of this application.

A copy of the ESR is provided for the convenience of the Examiner, together with its Annex listing patent family citations for those cited in the ESR. The dates of certain of the documents cited or their equivalents may be prior to the actual



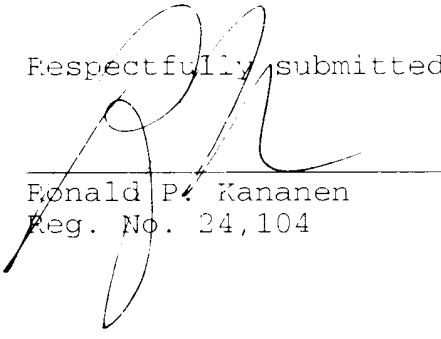
filing date of this application but later than its priority applications. Therefore, the Applicant reserves the right to perfect its priority rights if any of these documents are cited in an initial action on the merits.

Please take these documents into account in the initial examination of this application, together with the information at pages 1 to 6 and Fig. 17 of the specification as filed.

Early examination on the merits of this application is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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